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In re U.S. Patent Application of

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AND PRODUCTION PROCESS FOR THE SAME**

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RESPONSE AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated January 23, 2009 in the above identified application, the shortened statutory period for response of which is set to expire on June 23, 2009, with a two-month extension filed herewith. Also, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being concurrently filed herewith. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: